

Nixon, Andrea (DPU)

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To: Nixon, Andrea (DPU)
Subject: Opposition to CTV 06-1

Ms. Andrea Nixon, Clerk
Cable Television Division
One South Station
Boston, MA 02110

Re: Opposition to CTV 06-1

Dear Ms. Nixon:

I am writing to state my opposition to Verizon Communication's petition to amend state cable licensing regulations.

Under the proposed rules, municipalities would be boxed into an untenable 30-day, post-hearing licensing process and would lose the ability to properly review and negotiate Verizon cable proposals. They would also find it more difficult to ensure adequate protection of the public rights-of-way, public, educational and government programming, full community build-out provisions, franchise fees and more. The proposed time frame is not even close to what is reasonably needed for a fair and reasonable negotiation and licensing process.

Sincerely yours,

Francis X. Wright, Jr.
Alderman, Ward 2
City of Melrose, Massachusetts